

PADUCAH:

Concerning News of a Local Nature for Past Week.

From Saturday's Daily.

The Mayfield Woolen Mills of Mayfield and St. Louis have procured an option on the Old Kentucky mills of Louisville. The papers concluding the transfer will probably be signed today.

The Mayfield Woolen mills moved their salesroom from Mayfield to St. Louis last April, and their main office in October. The proprietors are so favorably impressed with the advantages of St. Louis as a distributing center that they have purchased the Louisville establishment and will remove the plant and such machinery as is available, to St. Louis. They propose to secure a site of from two to four acres and construct a large woolen factory. The buildings just purchased occupy a site a little in excess of two acres.

The present capital stock of the Mayfield Woolen mills is \$500,000, about one-half that amount surplus. Plans are under way to increase the capital stock to a sum not less than \$600,000.

The competition for the state guard encampment in August is between Paducah, Owensboro and Shelbyville.

Adjutant General David R. Murray and Assistant Secretary of State Harry G. Tandy, of Frankfort, arrived last evening, and held a conference with prominent citizens at the Palmer house last night.

This morning they were taken to La Belle park and the adjutant general shown the proposed site of the encampment.

While nothing definite is known as to which city the adjutant general will select, it is said that it will go to the city offering the best advantages in a camp site and the best inducements to bring the encampment there. Paducah offers decidedly the best advantages, having in addition to all the benefits of a city, those of a good camp besides, within three miles of the city, and easily reached by electric cars.

Owensboro will be visited next. It is thought that the chances are very favorable for Paducah getting the encampment this year.

It is said that the only thing necessary to secure the encampment for Paducah is a satisfactory rate over the Illinois Central.

The Cumberland river is now the lowest known in years. Capt. T. G. Ryman, at Nashville, has in his office a map which records the stage of the river every day for twenty years past.

This map shows that the river is now the lowest in twenty years with the exception of once. On March 1, 1886, the river was a trifle below its present stage.

Navigation is practically suspended. The Woodruff, Woolfolk, Thos. Parker, Fritz, Pavonia and other boats are all laid up in the upper river with their tows, the first at Ashland City and the others at Cumberland City. The Pavonia will begin work in the lower Cumberland as soon as she can get there.

The little town of Linton, Trig county, was destroyed by fire a day or two ago, every business house there, as well as many dwellings, being wiped out by the flames. The particulars as to the origin and loss have not been received.

One of the most quaint looking locomotives ever seen in Paducah is one belonging to the Kentucky Western road, a small railway running out of Blackford, Ky. It is an old timer, and is said to be the only locomotive the road owns. The boiler extends through the cab, and it appears to be able to pull only a few cars. It is now in the Illinois Central shops here for repairs.

Clem Ferguson, of the county, who is soon to be tried at Metropolis, Ill., for killing Marshal Gas Crouch, will, it is understood, ask a change of venue.

The C. & E. L. railroad has begun using its big tow boat, Condon. The Ten Broeck, which it had chartered, goes into the trade.

The graduating class of the Paducah High school conferred its class hours at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the Washington school.

The committee on schools, Trustees Weille, Mammen and Lally, called at 3:30 and the election of a salutarian and valdicatorian took place at once.

Mr. Frank Rineckoff, son of Mr. John Rineckoff, was chosen salutarian, and Miss Nell Robinson, the charming daughter of Mr. Geo. Robinson, the tailor, was elected valdicatorian.

Miss Amy Judd was elected "spade bearer," or the young lady whose duty it will be on commencement night to deliver the emblematic spade to the Tenth grade.

The class colors are pink and white, its flower the pink rose, and the class motto "By Courage, Not by Craft."

The graduates this year number 26. The commencement of the graduating class will be on the evening of June 17th, and that of the Eighth grade on the evening of the 14th. Negotiations are now pending for the LaBelle park theater in which to hold commencement.

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Dirt will be broken for the road bed early in April. The first 20 per cent of the \$25,000 subscribed has nearly all been paid and will all be in by March 23.

The Elks are preparing for their annual election of officers, and nominations began at last night's meeting, and will continue at each subsequent meeting until the election in April.

The carnival committee is progressing nicely and has already sold 40 feet of booth space almost without an effort.

The committees will begin active work in a few days, and arrangements will then be rushed without delay.

The city council will be asked for street privileges at an early meeting.

Capt. George Castleman, who resided in this city with his family in the forties and fifties, was in command of the steamer Ben Sherrod which burned on the lower Mississippi in 1837 while racing with the Parane. Both were very fast boats.

It was charged the engineer on watch at the time of the disaster to the Sherrod used oil for fuel, which caused the fire, and Capt. Castleman knocked in the head of a whisky barrel giving it to the fireman and deck crew. There was over one hundred people lost by the occurrence. Capt. Castleman lost two of his own family.

Hon. Ollie M. James, of Marion, who has often been mentioned as a Democratic candidate for congress in this district, and recently as a candidate for United States senator, has given out a statement that he will not be a candidate for the senatorship.

Mr. Robert M. Beadles, of Mayfield, Ky., today filed a petition for voluntary bankruptcy here, giving his liabilities at \$12,308.80. He was formerly a merchant at Mayfield, but has lately been in the insurance business.

London, March 8.—Another of Kentucky's famous feuds has been reopened. During the circuit recess at Manchester, this county, yesterday, the two Garrard boys were in Attorney Kash's office filing bond for the release of Jule Webb, charged with the murder of Charles Hall, when several shots were fired from the court house, which is just across the street, by Hall's friends. "Toll" Garrard's hat was pierced by the first shot, and the Garrard boys returned the fire. About sixty shots were fired from the court house and the windows in the law office were completely shattered and the occupants had many narrow escapes. There is great excitement in the town today and bloodshed is expected at any moment.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Kentucky is being held up by the Democratic organs of some of the other states as a "horrible example" of the destructive effects of legislation enacted for the sole purpose of perpetuating in power a political machine. Since the Democratic party in Kentucky began to pass special legislation for partisan ends, of which the infamous Geobell law was the culmination, that party has steadily lost strength and prestige until now it is compelled to rely upon ballot box rackets and election thefts to hold itself in office. No other state in the north, west or south furnishes such an illustration of the complete demoralization of a political party as Kentucky gives in the disintegration of the Democratic party since it fell into the hands of the freebooters who are now in the saddle.

Senatorial courtesy is about to receive a knock-out blow. As far as can be learned "senatorial courtesy" consists chiefly in the privilege that any member of the senate has of making himself as objectionable as possible without let or hindrance. It also gives to a minority the power of obstructing legislation indefinitely even though the majority is impatient to reach a vote. It is now almost certain that a closure rule will be adopted before the Fifty-seventh congress will have been in session many weeks, which will give the majority power to force a vote after a bill has been debated a reasonable length of time. Such a rule will exactly suit the strenuous vice president who will probably in any event give the time-honored senatorial courtesy a severe jar at the very first opportunity.

Ex-Senator Lindsay follows the steps of John G. Carlisle and will practice law in the city of New York. The principle of natural selection which now governs the Democratic party of Kentucky finds its highest type of a statesman in the person of Senator Blackburn, which is an unmistakable warning to men of ability that they had better look elsewhere for recognition than to the gang that is now shaping the political destinies of this state and incidentally shielding gamblers and other violators of law from punishment.

The beginning of hose manufacture at the knitting mills this week was an event of the greatest importance to Paducah. In order that any city may attain the greatest success or that its citizens may attain to the greatest general prosperity, there must be



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